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TO
FROM SHELTON

1. HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM SCENE OF ACCIDENT WITH THE FOLLOWING
TO REPORT. ARTICLE DID NOT CRASH ON LAND. WE TALKED WITH
FOUR OR FIVE EYE WITNESSES WHO HEARD AN EXPLOSION AND LATER
SAW ARTICLE SPIRAL INTO WATER IN THE VICINITY OF

sonic boom?

NO ONE SAW ANYTHING THAT RESEMBLED A PARACHUTE.
MY BEST ESTIMATE OF ARTICLE ALTITUDE WHEN UNDER OBSERVATION
OF WITNESSES IS FROM TEN TO FIFTEEN THOUSAND FEET DOWN TO
THE SURFACE. DID NOT INDICATE EJECTION PRIOR
TO 40M, THEREFORE EJECTION, IF ANY, PROBABLY TOOK PLACE
BETWEEN 15 AND 40 THOUSAND FEET. STOPPED IN AT THE JOC AND
SAT IN ON PLANS FOR TOMORROWS RESCUE OPERATION. THE
HAS IT WELL UNDER CONTROL WITH AMPLE AIRCRAFT TO COVER THE
SEARCH AREA. HAS ARRANGED FOR A US NAVY DESTROYER
TO BE ON THE SPOT AT SUNRISE. WE HOPE TO LOCATE ACTUAL CRASH
SITE AND BY SOME MEANS RAISE THE WRECKAGE.

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TOP SECRET

GROUP 1
EXCLUDED FROM AUTOMATIC
DOWNGRADING AND
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2. AT THIS MOMENT NO ASSISTANCE NEEDED.
 3. UNABLE TO EXPLAIN ERRONEOUS WRECKAGE SIGHTING UNLESS WE FIND SOME ALLEDGED SMALL PIECES OF METAL THAT DRIFTED TO LAND.
 4. DO NOT EXPECT TO HAVE ANYTHING FURTHER UNTIL 23/0100Z.
- END OF MESSAGE

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